

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Caires et al.

**Application No.:** 10/525,781

**Confirmation No.:** 8504

**Filed:** September 20, 2005

**For:** CYCLIC PALLADIUM COMPOUNDS  
HAVING COORDINATED THERETO BIS  
(DIPHENYLPHOSPHINE) FERROCENE  
LIGANDS WHICH INHIBIT THE ACTIVITY  
OF PROTEINS AND ENZYMES AND  
TREATMENT OF DISEASES AND  
DISORDERS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH

**Group:** 1621

**Examiner:** Marialouisa Lao

**Our File:** APA-PT005

**Date:** February 11, 2008

**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Reply responds to the Office Action dated October 10, 2007. Since February 10, 2008 fell on a Sunday, this Reply is timely filed with a petition for a one month extension of time. Please charge deposit account 22-0493 with any deficiency in fees. Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: